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• "The Human Experience" film series continues with "Voice of Giants: A Century of American Zionism" today at noon in 321 ELWC.

• The Single Parents Association is meeting today from noon to 1 p.m. in room 368 ELWC.

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Mexico sends 14,000 soldiers to smother peasant uprising

Associated Press

MONTE CRISTOBAL DE LAS MONTAÑAS, Mexico — Armored cars gridlocked highways while soldiers and helicopters searched mountain villages Wednesday trying to root out Indian peasants who staged a year's uprising.

The government offered to negotiate terms that would amount to a truce by the rebels, who are fighting the plight of the predominantly Mayan people in Chiapas, one of Mexico's poorest states.

It appeared unlikely the terms would be accepted by the guerrillas, who retreated into the sanctuary of jungles and forests Tuesday after four days of fighting in towns.

The government demanded they disarm, identify leaders, free hostages and return 3,000 pounds of dynamite.

Just south of this picturesque 16th century town, columns of armored vehicles cruised the main southbound

highway while dozens of tense soldiers manned roadblocks to keep out other traffic.

It is an unfamiliar role for most Mexican soldiers, who have been used in the fight against drug trafficking but spend much of their time on civic projects and as guards for government buildings.

The independent Excelsior news agency said about 14,000 soldiers were in Chiapas, a region of lush beauty that is plagued by illiteracy, poverty and land disputes. The rebels appeared to have about 1,000 fighters when they seized three towns on New Year's Day.

A military statement said 93 people were killed in the first four days of fighting, including seven soldiers, 59 rebels and 27 civilians and police officers. Eight rebels were captured, it said.

The army seemed to be more on the offensive Wednesday after the rebels pulled out of several towns and villages they occupied early in the upris-

ing.

Five warplanes bombed a poor neighborhood on the outskirts of this town at dusk Tuesday, and two planes fired into the same area Wednesday morning.

Soldiers stopped journalists from entering the area, saying they were searching for guerrillas who had set up positions near a small village called El Corralito. It was not known if El Corralito was where the planes attacked and there was no word on casualties.

Eloy Cantu Segovia, a top adviser to Interior Minister Patricio Gonzalez, said the bombing was not a punitive action. He said the planes were summoned by troops who were surrounded by rebels.

"This means the army was only defending itself," he said.

Signs of fighting were evident near the bombed area, which was close to an army base. A military jeep came down the road into town carrying a wounded soldier.

On the grass off the road a bullet-riddled van contained the blood-soaked bodies of two men, a woman and a young girl, all in civilian clothing. An army officer said soldiers fired when the van tried to run past a roadblock. A pistol dangled from the hand of the dead driver slumped over the steering wheel, although the officer did not mention shots coming from the van.

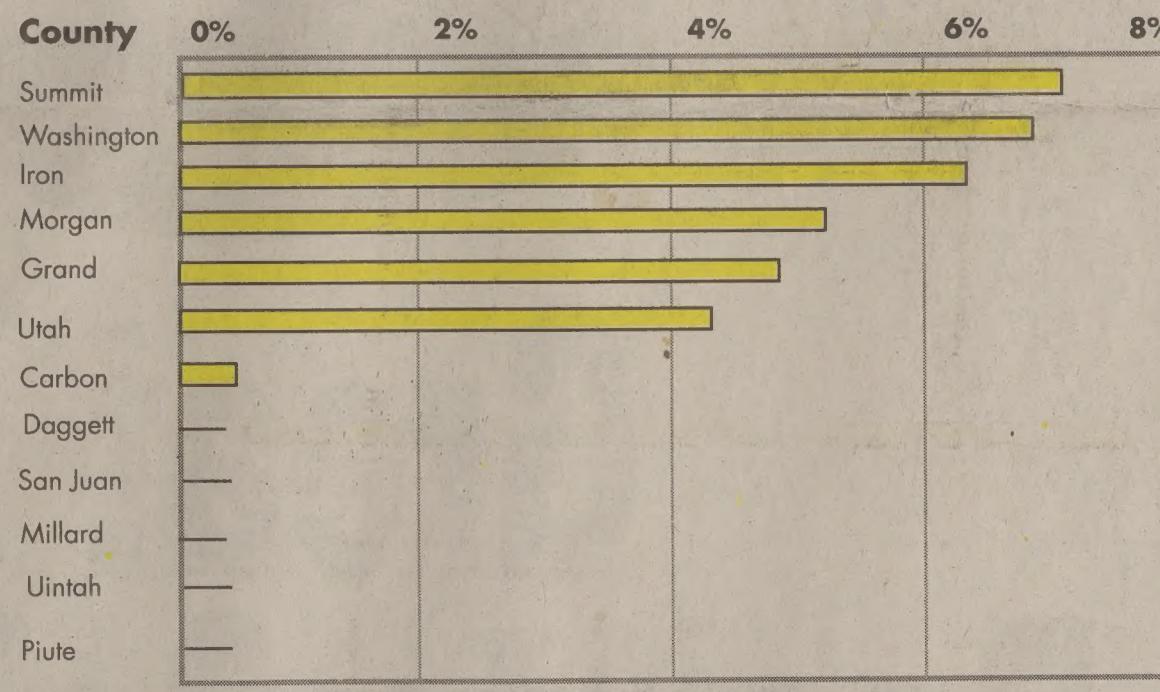
Sixteen armored vehicles left the base and headed south in the direction of Comitan, 45 miles to the southeast.

The army said sniping continued in a few areas, including Ocosingo, a town 40 miles to the northeast that reportedly was the scene of the fiercest fighting.

Cantu made the government's offer on negotiations in a statement Wednesday morning.

He blamed the uprising on extremists, including some Salvadorans and Guatemalans, who he said were manipulating the Mayans in this dirt-poor region of southeastern Mexico.

Annual population growth of Utah Counties for 1993: six fastest and six slowest growing



Source: Utah Population Estimates Committee, 12/93

down side, he said.

Nearby states like Idaho, Nevada and Colorado, which are the three fastest growing states, are doing well because they are basically comprised of the same things that attract people to Utah, Christensen said.

But Utah hasn't always had positive migration. Christensen said that just like all states, Utah experiences periods of migration and periods of out migration that depend on other states' economies and the national economy.

"As the economy in other states improves, then Utah's attraction will diminish and our migration will drop-

off," Christensen said.

In the 80s, Utah went through a period of high out migration for about five years. The out migration was as high as 40,000 during that time, he said.

"Much of our migration is coming from southern California," Christensen said. California, Texas and Florida are also having in migration, Christensen said, but most of their migration comes from out of the country rather than other states.

According to the Census Bureau, California only grew 1 percent, the first time in 20 years they have had

growth slower than the national average.

Christensen said that St. George and Park City are two of the fastest growing areas of the state.

"St. George has been growing 5 percent a year for about 10 years now," he said.

According to the Utah State Planning and Budget Department, Summit and Washington counties, where Park City and St. George are located, are the fastest growing counties in the state. Both of them have

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Administration considers drug ban

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Clinton officials are reconsidering the Bush administration ban on medical marijuana and say action could come soon. They caution that review doesn't necessarily mean reversal.

Confirmation that the Public Health Service is giving the ban struck cautious hope Wednesday among advocates of medicinal marijuana.

"It's the same old bureaucratic shuffle or is the government smart enough to help people who are sick?" asked Robert Randall, the first person to propose marijuana by government prescription in

the Public Health Service would not say how the administration was leaning. "It is something everyone is anxious to get resolved," said spokesman Edward Kytyle. "It is likely something will happen."

The review process was slowed by the controversial Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders' recent comment that legalizing drugs deserves study. Dr. Lee, head of the health service, told reporters

in San Francisco Tuesday.

Marijuana has been used medicinally since ancient Egypt.

It was commonly used to ease childbirth — promoting contractions while relieving pain — said an Israeli archaeologist who last year discovered marijuana ash in a fourth century tomb.

Starting in 1976, the U.S. government allowed people who were suffering from certain diseases — and who didn't find relief in traditional medications — to apply to the Food and Drug Administration for permission to use the illegal drug.

The FDA approved marijuana on a case-by-case basis to ease nausea and loss of appetite caused by cancer and AIDS treatments, to ease muscle spasms for people with spinal cord injuries or multiple sclerosis and to alleviate the eye pressure that blinds glaucoma sufferers.

Studies showed the drug works in such cases.

But the Bush administration in 1992 banned the medical testing or use of marijuana, saying it could harm patients with weakened immune systems.

The 15 people who were then receiving the drug were allowed to continue.

Eight are still alive, including Randall. He smokes 10 marijuana cigarettes a day and contends that without them glaucoma would have blinded him 14 years ago.

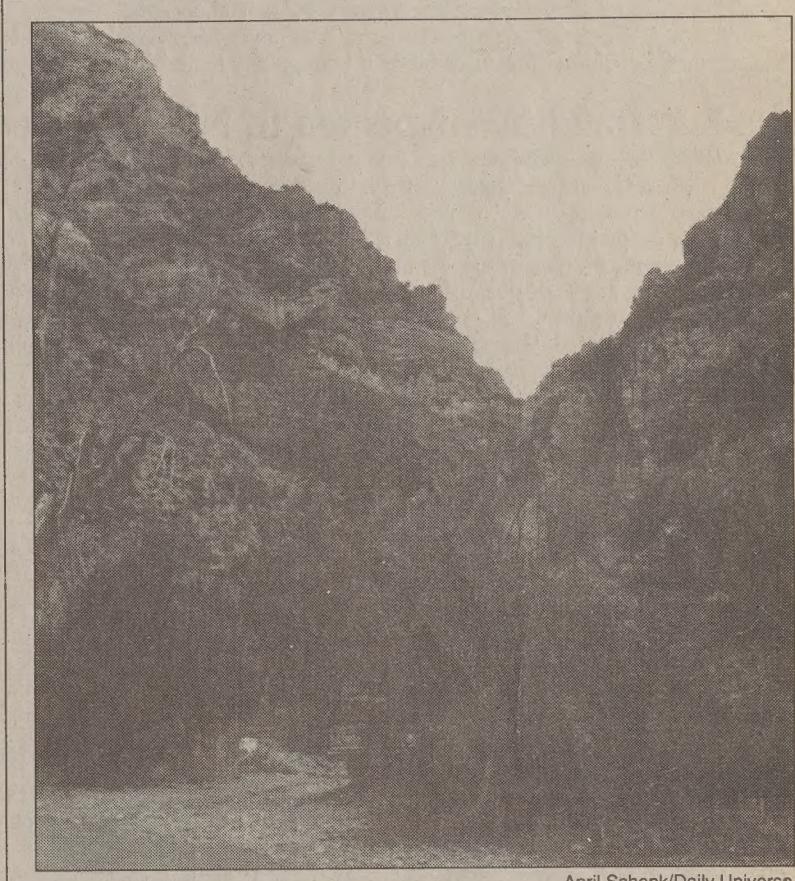
Public Health Service officials won't say why they're reviewing the ban. But Kevin Zeese of the private Drug Policy Foundation praised the administration for reconsidering "a decision that was made politically and in haste and ... not supported by science."

"Denying medicine to the seriously ill is one of the great crimes of the war on drugs," he said.

The ban merely drove patients to the streets in search of marijuana, Randall said.

Advocates want more than the ban lifted. Zeese's foundation and Randall's Alliance for Cannabis Therapeutics are suing the Drug Enforcement Administration, seeking to force DEA to allow doctors to prescribe marijuana under certain circumstances, just as they prescribe morphine.

Lawyers told the U.S. Court of Appeals in October that the DEA's top judge in 1988 had ordered the agency to do so, but it refused. A decision by the appeals court is pending.



April Schenk/Daily Universe

FUTURE PARK? If City Council members give further approval for the purchase of this land at the mouth of Rock Canyon, it will be turned into a trail head park.

Council purchases Rock Canyon land

By STEPHEN PARKER
Universe Staff Writer

Provo Mayor George Stewart savored his first success in office Tuesday night as City Council members tentatively agreed to purchase land at the mouth of Rock Canyon for a trail head park.

Stewart was sworn in Monday as Provo's 42nd mayor at the city center and was already delivering on a campaign promise to block unwanted development by preserving recreational access to the area.

Council members agreed during a study meeting Tuesday that \$400,000 was a fair price to pay for a 3.6-acre plot because of a zoning error made when the land was originally purchased by the developers.

The land had previously been approved for a 13-unit condominium project, but the Council imposed a six-month moratorium on Oct. 12 because of local opposition to residential development at the mouth of the canyon.

"We've developed as high up on the mountain as we should," Stewart said. "I would like to see something done with the land this year because it's an eyesore."

The area is currently classified as a park. ▶ page 3

Provo City Council approves 1st raise in more than a decade

By STEPHEN PARKER
Universe Staff Writer

Provo City Council members voted Tuesday night in favor of raising their yearly salaries by \$1,500, although each of the three newly-elected members voted against the proposal.

The salary for each council member was formerly \$6,000 and was increased to \$7,500 by the vote. It was the first raise approved by the city council since 1982. Council members argued that the increase was necessary to remain consistent with state retirement regulations.

Council Member James Daley argued in favor of a four percent cost of living adjustment to be assessed on the \$6,000 salary for each year since 1982. This would have increased the salary to approximately \$9,000.

However, Representative Jordan Tanner of the Utah House of Representatives urged council members to compromise by increasing the salaries to \$7,500, which would surpass the state mandate by \$300. This would prevent the possibility of having to revisit the issue later this year after the state mandate is increased, he said.

Prior to approving the raise, Provo City Council members were the lowest paid council members of all Utah council-mayor governments, said Attorney Mike

Thornton. After the salary increase, the council is still the second-lowest paid in its form of government, he said.

Council members who voted in favor of the raise include James Daley, David Rail, Dennis Hall and Shari Holweg.

Elected to the city council for the first time in the Nov. 2 general municipal election, Jane Carlile, Greg Hudnall and Karl Thalman voted against the increase.

"I don't think any of us are here for the money or the retirement," Hudnall said.

Thalman said his conscience would not permit him to vote in favor of a salary increase after the council recently hired an executive director to assist them and improve access to information.

David Rail, elected Tuesday as council chair for 1994, approved of the increase, arguing that some residents would be unable to serve on the city council if salaries remained so low in the future.

"If you don't vote for an increase, you're voting a decrease," Rail said.

Because the council voted for the raise, the Provo City personnel office will be able to continue making monthly contributions of an average \$800 per month to the state retirement program in behalf of each council member, Thornton said.

Area theater fans have lots of choices this month. See story in Lifestyle, page 8.

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News Briefs

Compiled from staff and news service reports

Rebel leader death may halt uprising

TBILISI, Georgia — The wife of former Georgian President Zviad Gamsakhurdia said Wednesday he killed himself on New Year's Eve. Georgian officials suggested he was shot in a quarrel with supporters.

Either way, the death of Gamsakhurdia, 54, could halt the rebellion he led and it was certain to strengthen the government of his successor and bitter enemy, Eduard Shevardnadze.

Shevardnadze still faces a separate insurrection by separatists in the Abkhazia region along the Black Sea, but peace talks aimed at settling that conflict are scheduled for next week.

Gamsakhurdia's demise, together with the Abkhazian negotiations, offers the first fragile hope in months that peace may return to this tiny, war-torn former Soviet republic of 5.5 million people.

The Interfax news agency quoted Manana Gamsakhurdia as saying her husband shot himself Friday after he and a group of followers were surrounded by fighters from the pro-government paramilitary group Mkhedrioni.

David Mumladze, an aide to Georgia's security minister, suggested Gamsakhurdia could have been killed by his supporters to make him a martyr.

Broken fuel line suspected in NASA fiasco

WASHINGTON — A broken fuel line most likely caused the loss of the \$1 billion Mars Observer last August, experts said Wednesday.

A second investigation at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in California, started with 60 possible scenarios and eliminated them one-by-one until only problems with the propulsion system and the electrical power system remained.

The most probable cause, said the report, was that liquid nitrogen tetroxide had leaked during the 11-month journey and condensed upstream. Theoretically, that could create a situation where the liquid could mix rapidly with the spacecraft's propellant and ignite spontaneously.

The resulting temperature of perhaps 1,800 degrees Fahrenheit could cause the plumbing in the area to have "the strength of butter," Dr. Timothy Coffey said.

Gun buybacks can miss targeted crime

NEW YORK — A toys-for-guns swap nets hundreds of weapons in one of New York City's toughest neighborhoods, and gun-related crime drops by more than 50 percent. Twenty years earlier, the biggest of all big-city gun buybacks takes in more than 13,000 weapons in Baltimore, and gun crime increases by more than 50 percent.

Judging the effectiveness of goods/cash-for-guns programs remains extremely difficult because of their very nature: no questions asked. There are concerns about whether buybacks hamper criminal investigations, providing a legal fence for guns that were stolen or used in crimes.

The total number of guns recovered in various buyback programs around the country since 1974 probably is far less than 100,000, according to figures compiled by The Associated Press and Handgun Control Inc. There are an estimated 200 million-plus guns in circulation today in the United States, plus 1.5 million manufactured each year.

Utah defies federal abortion order

SALT LAKE CITY — Utah will refuse to implement the Clinton administration's order to states to begin paying for abortions for poor women in cases of rape and incest.

Rod Betit, executive director of the Utah Department of Health, said Wednesday that the White House edict not only conflicts with state law, but Utah officials do not believe it truly reflects the intent of Congress.

"What we're doing is refusing to implement it until it is proven that Congress intended to override state statutes," he said. "(Utah) will not prematurely jump to the new standard."

The so-called Hyde amendment, which since 1977 had allowed use of federal Medicaid funds only to save the life of the mother, was liberalized slightly to pay for abortions in rape or incest cases as well.

Like Utah, Idaho now permits Medicaid-funded abortions only when a mother's life is in danger. Meantime, the ACLU and Planned Parenthood of Idaho have a lawsuit pending in state court to force the state to broaden the exception to include women who face threats to their health.

However, Idaho health officials say they will amend rules by February to comply with the new federal regulations.

Weather

YESTERDAY in Provo

High: 45
Low: 33Precipitation
as of 5 p.m. yesterday

Yesterday: .24"

Month
to date: .24"Water season
to date: 4.7"

THURSDAY



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30s. Good chance of
snow showers.

FRIDAY



PARTLY CLOUDY

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--Alma 41:10

"Do not suppose, because it has been spoken concerning restoration, that ye shall be restored from sin to happiness. Behold, I say unto you, wickedness never was happiness."

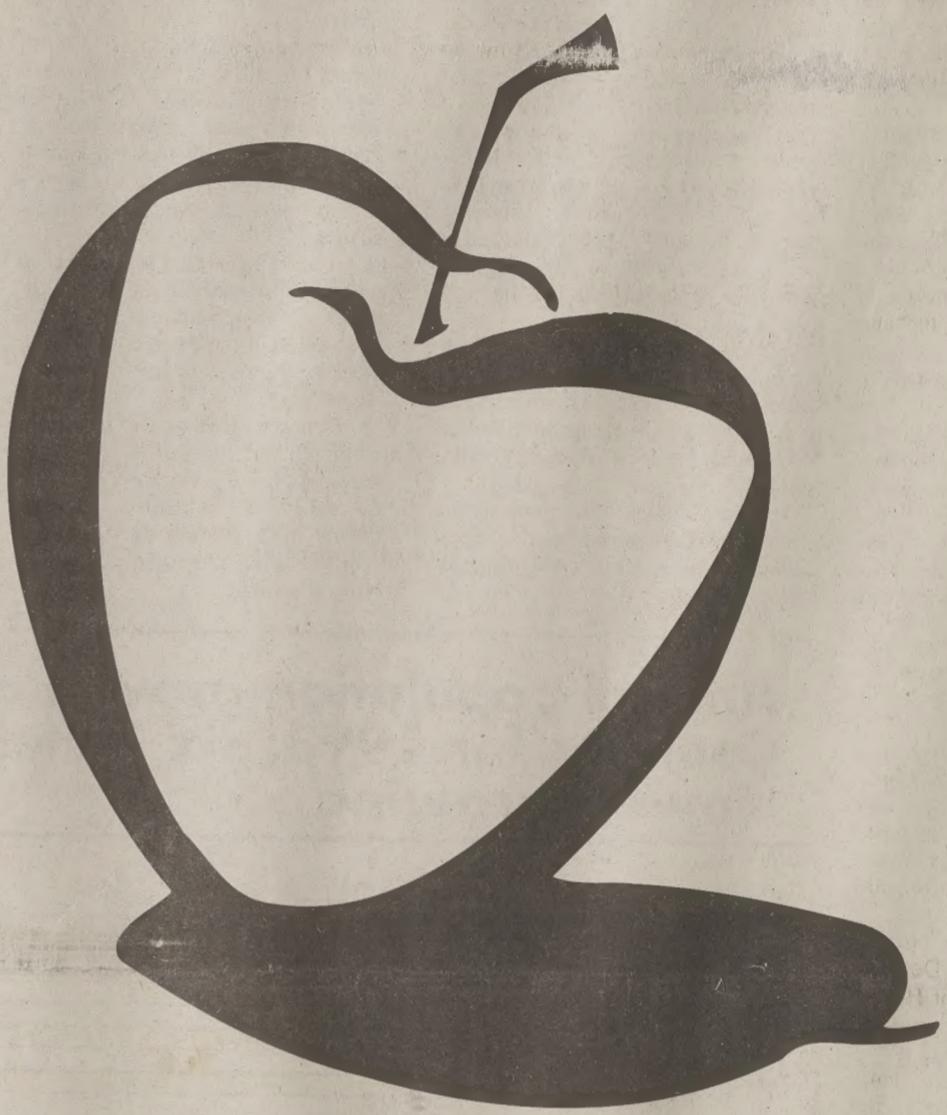
--Alma 41:10

This is Susan Carpenter's favorite scripture because, "it reminds me that I can't be happy in doing wrong."

- Susan is:
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- from Frederick, MD.
- majoring in french



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growth rates of over 6 percent.

"I don't think you want it to grow any faster than it is," Christensen said and noted that it is difficult to keep up with that kind of growth.

Estia Tingey, Deputy City Recorder and Executive Secretary of Planning in St. George said the city is struggling to keep up with the demands for maintenance and construction of roads and has had to install 15 new four-way traffic lights. They are also in the process of updating their master road plan.

"We feel it's a good growth. We've really handled it well," she said.

St. George built new water treatment and sewer plants a few years ago and have already begun adding to them, Tingey said.

The Utah Planning and Budget Department is set up to help the state deal with the growth. They are

attempting to resolve problems from the growth, but public services will probably fall behind, Christensen said.

"Growth is not something that's free by any means," he said. "All the people moving in state need public services like schools ... water, roads and sewer systems."

Both St. George and Park City are trying to find new water sources for their new subdivisions.

He added that state officials may have to further develop the I-15 corridor: "It's inevitable that in the next 2-3 years we'll see more gas taxes to pay for it." He does not foresee any other new taxes created to deal with the growth.

The biggest problem Provo is facing is where to put the people, said Brent Drew at Provo Economic Development. Moab and other rural

areas of the state are having housing problems.

The Provo/Orem area is currently building more multifamily units than single family units, though they are not yet available, Drew said.

He said Provo officials have not had a problem creating enough jobs for people moving in because the majority of people coming in are bringing businesses with them, are coming because of jobs they've already lined up, or are retired.

In terms of jobs, the biggest problem they've had is losing locations to the companies that are moving in or are expanding.

If there's not enough room in the city, businesses move out. But that can be very beneficial to the county, Drew said.

"It's a problem, but it's a nice problem," he said.

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the Forest's non-motorized, semi-wildewever, there are paved roads canyon and no controlled abling vehicles to be driven in. Because of the remoteness canyon, there are reports of jund adults driving into the area and use illegal drugs.

Council r Dennis Hall viewed the d access proposal as a way to safety threats posed to Bidents with little rock-climberience who are injured in thn each year.

Chief Ex Officer Thomas Martin saidvements would be made along trails extending from the pto the Rock Canyon Campgrouper completion of the park.

Stewart also plans to propose the building of a new fire station on the west side of the city this year. He feels confident the fire station would be approved by the city council because it is necessary for the safety of people living in the area.

Members of the audience attending the study meeting applauded the new mayor as the council members voiced their support for the proposal. Several Provo residents shook hands with Stewart after the meeting and offered him their support and encouragement.

Stewart also plans to require developers in Provo to cover impact fees, paying the cost of any impact their housing developments would have on the city. This would include the cost of new roads, electrical power and other similar expenses.

Former Mayor Hill weds ex-assistant

By MARISA WHITTAKER
University Staff Writer

While students were away for winter break, former Provo Mayor Michael R. Hill married his former assistant Dr. Nancy M. Smith Dec. 30 at a ceremony at La Caille

He said that although recently challenged, he had been told that it was

"Basically, it's a personal problem. You're not going to see anything come from the council on this issue. The bottom line is it has nothing to do with his function in the city."

— Provo City Council Chairman, Dennis Hall

his personal interest, integrity and honesty that had been successful at winning the trust of the employees, public, businesses, and agencies that the city interacts with.

Karen Hill filed for divorce on Sept. 30. The Hill divorce was final on Nov. 16. Grounds for divorce cited in the Hill Decree of Divorce are "irreconcilable differences" that made "the continuation of the marriage impossible and intolerable."

Of the Hill's three children, three are still minors. Karen Hill was given custody of them with Michael having "reasonable visitation" rights as agreed upon by the two parties.

Nancy Smith was married to Scott Smith until Oct. 29, 1993, when their divorce was finalized, according to county records. Both Nancy and Scott Smith were awarded joint legal custody of their children, who are minors.

Hill's appointed term as mayor expired Monday when Mayor George Stewart took the oath of office.

Hill was appointed to the office of mayor in December 1992, when Joe Jenkins resigned as mayor to take a spot in Gov. Mike Leavitt's administration.

Shortly after being appointed, Hill named Smith as his top administrative assistant.

Scott Smith was reached by phone on Wednesday but had no comment. Nancy Smith could not be reached at work or at home on Wednesday for comment. Neither Michael Hill nor Karen Hill could be reached for comment.

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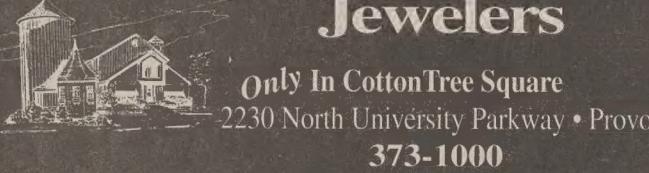
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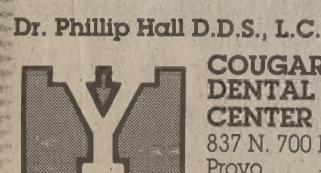
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Opinion

BYU campus problems will not be solved by 'leave if you don't like it'

The slogan, "Love it or Leave it," stuck on the bumpers of people trying to express their simple view of patriotism has a lot in common with the phrase "if you don't like it at BYU, there are many other worthy people who would like to take your place."

Both of these ideas should cause concern because they suggest a black and white view of important and often complicated issues. They express a lack of interest in thinking about problems, asking questions and trying to change things for the better.

Although these ideas contain some aspects of the truth, they have been simplified to the point of narrow mindedness. For instance there are worthy members of the church who do not have the opportunity to attend BYU and there are unworthy church members attending BYU, but all people who are upset by some policies and decisions at the school are not unworthy and should not be informally told to leave by faculty or fellow students.

During the 1960's, civil rights activists disagreed with many of the country's policies, but they did not want to give up their citizenship. They simply wanted to make America a better place to live. Most issues at BYU do not compare in significance to the issues faced during this time, but students who want to voice their concerns should have the opportunity to do so. These students do not want to leave BYU. They are just asking to be heard.

Alcohol use and other honor code violations are reasons for students to go elsewhere to school, but being outspoken and questioning are not. An attitude of inquiry is the very thing that turns students into scholars, not spoon-fed children regurgitating back information.

Most students are at BYU because they actively seek out knowledge instead of waiting for it to be given to them. Perhaps, that is the difference between students who get into BYU and those who do not.

Replacing the attitude of "love it or leave it" with one of tolerance toward different viewpoints will enhance understanding of issues and concerns on campus.

Speak out, tell someone

Democracy's corner is a new feature containing the addresses and phone numbers of our representatives that will appear every Thursday on the opinion page. It is an effort to make it easier for students to voice their concerns to the people who should be serving them.

As students, citizens and tax payers, we have the right to expect our views to matter. Often students are too busy to become involved in politics, but it is important that we take the time to notice what is going on in government and act if necessary.

Issues such as health care, employment, education, crime and the economy will affect us in the near future if not already. If we do not make the effort to communicate our opinions, we risk our values becoming the minority view.

It only takes 15 minutes to make a phone call or write a short letter. The time is more than worth what our comments can accomplish.

Rep. Bill Orton's (D-Utah) phone number is not long distance and it only takes 29 cents to mail a letter. We personally believe the recording on the White House phone is well worth the money it takes to call.



the 5th floor

Crime hits home, time for tougher laws



by
Tracy
Helmer

On the plane home for Christmas, I sat next to an elderly man who groused for two hours about how the country, especially crime, was getting worse and worse. I remember hoping I would never get that pessimistic when I got old.

At the ripe old age of two weeks later, I too found myself uncertain about the world I was living in.

During Christmas vacation I learned that my little brother saw a gun at school, a friend witnessed a robbery at my local mall and the grocery store near my middle-class neighborhood was held up and a clerk was shot to death.

My comfort zone was no longer comfort-

able. As I shopped for gifts in the same mall that was robbed, I found myself glancing around. I didn't want to go to the grocery store at night and I worried about my brother going to one of the best schools in the country.

Back in Happy Valley I feel a little safer but a lot older. Like the man on the plane I have started to complain about violence in our society, but the difference between us is that I still think something can be done.

I agree with Sen. Arlen Spencer, a republican from Pennsylvania on the Senate Judiciary Committee, who wrote an opinion in the New York Times Tuesday suggesting states concentrate on rehabilitation but also adopt Washington State's "three strikes your out" law.

Washington's law mandates that those convicted of three serious crimes receive life sentences. So if criminals fail to respond to rehabilitation they are locked away for good.

For this law to be fair, Spencer states that criminals need counseling and job training. He stated that over one billion dollars had been made available for rehabilitation programs through the antocrime legislation recently passed by the Senate. If this money

is put to good use, then there will be repeat offenders and less victims. Also, there will be more room in prisons for criminals who do not respond to rehabilitation.

Spencer is right that rehabilitation is needed, but I think rehabilitation needs to begin earlier with potential criminals, the poor and the uneducated. More money should be spent towards education and job training for average people struggling to survive. Better schools and more opportunities would start before it happened.

The country also needs to be rehabilitated. Limiting or better yet eliminating violence on television is one step to curb the growing acceptance and desensitization of blood and gore.

The senate has passed a crime bill and the Brady bill, but with crime rates increasing more needs to be done. Tougher laws will only be passed when average Americans take a stand.

The elderly man was right, crime is getting worse and worse, but there is still time to demand a safer country.

Readers' Forum

Contracts legal

To the Editor:

The ACLU threatens to sue BYU because campus housing contracts restrict obscene posters?

I don't buy the ACLU statement that "you can't contract away the right to do something that is perfectly legal." What do they think a contract is? An agreement of illegal things you will or will not do? That sounds like a Mafia contract on someone's life.

I would like to inform the ACLU that there are legitimate contracts made between law abiding citizens who agree not to do things that are perfectly legal. It is not illegal or unconstitutional for me to keep a dog in my room, but if I sign a contract with the apartment owner, I give up that right.

Beware of the cunning lies of the adversary.

Noel Smith

Salem, Utah

Save SafeRide

To the Editor:

I was alarmed at December 7th's front page article on the discontinuance of SafeRide for the last two weeks of school. Quite a few stu-

dents take SafeRide when, through extenuating circumstances, they are on campus later than they had expected. They may have no one to walk home with or to call for a ride on short notice. It is cruel to cut off this support during the very time of year that most students have reason to stay late on campus.

Worrying about how to find a ride home is one more stress they do not need right now.

I was also concerned with the article's mention of SafeRide's future. Requiring registration at the beginning of the semester would hurt SafeRide's effectiveness. I started using SafeRide late in this semester after my roommates expressed concern at my walking home alone late at night. One night I was unaware of how late it was when I heard an announcement over the HBLL's public address system that the last SafeRide van would be leaving. I decided to try it. I would have been forced to walk if pre-registration was required.

Continued registration throughout the semester would not have been helpful, as offices on campus are closed at night. Even paying a registration fee in the van would have been difficult as I did not have money with me at the time. I would have walked again.

The number of people using this program has steadily increased because word is spreading that there is a safe way to get home when you

need it. SafeRide is one of most useful and considerate programs BYUSA has ever promulgated. After all of the lectures given about safety in the dorms and in P.E. 129, this program shows that administrators are serious about giving students in a bind a way out.

BYUSA, don't cut off or limit something you were doing right. The volunteers, money and patience required for the program and the resulting red tape may be difficult to find, but any effort is justified if you are truly concerned for the safety of the student body.

Sarah Silver

Tabiona, Utah

Gun bill not enough

To the Editor:

Thank you President Clinton for spearheading the Brady Gun Control Bill. Now that violent crime has been radically curbed, I can go back to watching R-rated movies, violent TV programs and listening to violent music without having to worry about guns. Isn't it great to have a president that understands the true ills of society?

Corey Philpot

Molalla, Ore.

Kurt Iverson

American Fork

A Greek system?

To the Editor:

I have tried to keep this to myself, but after reading Matthew MacLean's article on "BYU's Greek system" I can't stand it anymore! I can't imagine what BYU is so concerned about because BYU's "Greek houses" are about as close to fraternities and sororities as the Cub scouts and brownies. Having joined the Beta Theta Pi fraternity at another school, I can't help but roll my eyes when I hear people referring to their BYU social clubs as "fraternities" or "sororities." I recognize that BYU social clubs have some limitations put on them, and I respect that. In fact, a big part of the reason that I came to this school was to take a break from the fraternity scene. I have seen more than enough of my fraternity brothers getting arrested, developing serious drug and alcohol problems and, on one occasion, getting killed.

As long as people in these social clubs enjoy them and think they are worthwhile, there should be no problem. But please don't call

them "fraternities" and "sororities" and lump them in with organizations that they have absolutely nothing in common with. I see a few very important things missing—namely a house, real parties, national affiliation, real support and involvement, and generally any kind of influence or significance to anyone outside of Provo, Utah. I guess I can't help being a little skeptical after coming from a fraternity that has been around since 1839, has chapters on 130 college campuses and has more than 100,000 active members.

Moreover, the "parties" I have been to reminded me more of the birthday parties I used to go to in the third or fourth grade than of any fraternity party I have been to in the past three years. I won't go into any detail about what used to go on inside my own fraternity house at the risk of people judging me as a terrible person, but let's say popular party activities were much different. It seems as though some people in these clubs think that actually using their paddles, hazing their pledges and throwing together a few Greek letters makes them a fraternity or sorority. I just wish these social clubs would find their own unique identity as BYU social clubs rather than trying so hard to emulate something that they obviously are not.

Chris Lloyd

Seattle, Wash.

Y Degree or education?

To the Editor:

As of late, there has been much discussion on BYU's campus about the subject of "timely graduation." Led by President Lee, the administration seems dedicated to its "baby" project, that of seeing students graduate within four years. The students, of course, are glad to see something done about the five or six years it normally takes to get a four year degree, aren't they?

When I was accepted to BYU, I received a packet that I believe is mailed to every freshman. Inside were various pamphlets describing the vast opportunities for learning available at the university. Also, these papers lauded the idea of receiving a well-rounded education, and encouraged students to take classes that would broaden their horizons. In short, we were told that one did not come to BYU simply to get a degree, but to gain an education.

However, in a Daily Universe article published in November, a top administrator quoted as saying that students would have given up taking courses that satisfied their interests, and concentrate more fully on the major. The driving point of that article, others dedicated to this subject, was that students needed to cut out as much of their education as possible to facilitate graduating time. I am confused. Am I supposed to get education or a degree? Is this Brigham Young University, or Brigham's Technical School.

Central to the push for timely graduation seems, is the number of qualified applicants being turned away.

The fact that all good schools must turn away applicants appears to escape the administration. They complain that tithing members of the Church are being turned away from the school which is supported by the money.

Since when did tithing payers become stockholders in BYU Inc.?

If I understand correctly, tithing is the Lord's money; we have no claim on it, no impute on what it is used for. If BYU is the Lord's money, those in authority ought to shut it down completely.

However, once people have paid their tithe they cannot dictate what is done with it, nor claim that they have a greater right to attend BYU than anyone else.

Perhaps the most disturbing battle in the administration's fight against untimely graduation is that waged against the students themselves. It has been proposed that students who take too long to graduate will face increased tuition and other penalties. How does that help?

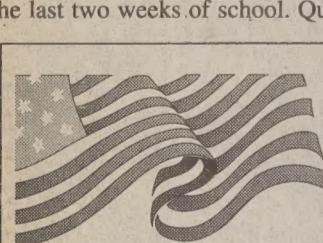
The only students who can afford to take the 16 to 17 credit hours a semester needed to graduate in four years are those on full scholarship or partnership.

The rest of us need to work. We are trying to be self-sufficient, not going into debt or living beyond our means.

In short, we are trying to follow the counsel of the prophets. Consequently, we only have time for 14 or 15 credit hours, and our graduation is delayed. If monetary penalties are brought against us, we will need to work, further delaying our graduation.

Strict adherence to the policy of timely graduation is going to hurt only those who want liberal education as well as a degree and those who need the extra time to avoid going into debt.

Matthew Budge



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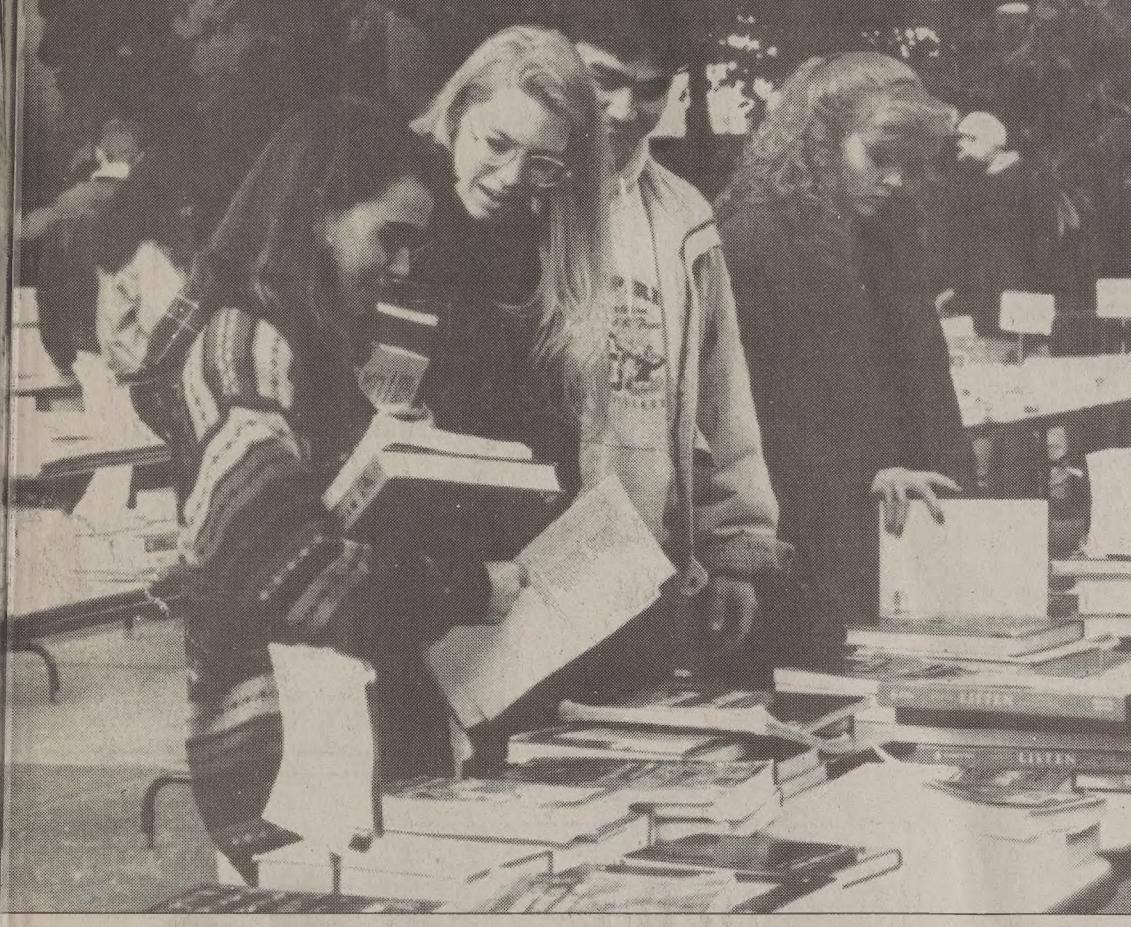
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IN THEIR BOOKS: Students examine books available Wednesday at the Book Exchange, held at the beginning of each semester in the ELWC Garden Court. The Exchange allows students to buy and sell books without working with the Bookstore.

Book Exchange offers students shorter lines and flexible prices

CLAUDIA ARGUETA

Senior Reporter

There is no off-campus book exchange to compete with the BYU Bookstore's text sales, students can save money at the Book Exchange.

Club Council-sponsored Book Exchange allows students to buy books at prices they set, usually the Bookstore's used textbook price.

"Our bottom line is service to the students, not profit," he said. "Our buyback is by far the largest in terms of benefits to the students."

Laker said most schools only give students 50 percent of a book's worth, while the BYU Bookstore gives students 60 percent if the quota for the particular text has not been met.

"And the faculty coordinate together to use the same books and reuse books as long as possible," he said.

Guy Cox, 22, a junior from Tiffin, Ohio, majoring in Spanish and economics, said the Bookstore is making too much profit.

"It think it is dishonest to sell books at a starting price, then buy them back

for a lower price and sell it back for more and keep doing that process - the book ends up paying for itself."

"Lack of competition limits our options as students - we buy it at the BYU bookstore or not at all," he said. "They have a monopoly - we have to have those books."

Laker said that BYU as a private university does not have to provide its book list to off-campus bookstores interested in giving the university store competition.

"If someone came in and asked for the book list we would decline," he said. "There would be no benefit for students to have a competing bookstore."

Laker said an off-campus bookstore across from the University of Utah went out of business because it did not raise its buy back to 60 percent as the U of U had done.

But an off-campus book selling enterprise at Utah State University advertises its texts as 37 percent less expensive than the bookstore's, said Caroline Irwin, staff assistant at USU's bookstore.



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Society provides LDS science forum

By MARCI BEKE
Assistant Campusitor

A new association for LDS mathematical and physical scientists and students majoring in the physical and mathematical sciences has been organized at BYU.

The James E. Talmage Society, named after a prominent scholar-scientist in the history of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, was recently founded by Randal Shirts, an associate professor of chemistry at BYU.

The society is sponsored by BYU's College of Physical and Mathematical Sciences and members are available to professional scientists and students in any of the College's areas.

Majors who are eligible for membership in the society include chemistry, biochemistry, computer science, geology, mathematics, physics and astronomy, and statistics.

"Our goal is to develop a sense of community among LDS scientists," Shirts said.

The purpose of the society is "to strengthen this natural relationship between brothers and sisters in faith as well as in science," and to "provide positive role models for those who are struggling to maintain their faith while working toward their scientific goals."

The society's first editorial board members include BYU faculty members William Barrett, associate professor of computer science; professors Bart Kowallis, geology; David Wright, mathematics; Dorian Hatch, physics and astronomy; Bruce Collings, statistics and Bill Hays, associate dean of the college.

Although the editorial board is now composed of only faculty members, Shirts said he sees no reason students could not be assigned to be on the panel.

"As we get people volunteering and submitting a lot of good quality articles (for the newsletter), I can see it changing," he said.

The main focus of the association is its newsletter distribution. The newsletter features LDS scientists and their research, highlights activities of the college and discusses issues important to LDS scientists in editorials and short articles, according to a campus newsbrief.

The first newsletter is now available and is being distributed by each department within the College. Shirts said the chemistry department will be distributing newsletters in classes, but other departments are mailing them to students with applicable majors.

Membership is open to anyone who meets the criteria and publication costs are being underwritten by the College but tax-deductible contributions are welcome, Shirts said.

Shirts said the final touch to complete the organization of the Talmage Society came with the permission to use the name of James E. Talmage.

Permission was granted by the Board of Trustees last November, he said.

"It's our hope that it will help Mormons outside of BYU who are more isolated to have a sense of community," said David Wright of the society's editorial board. He said another goal is to inspire young Mormons to further their education in science.

"It seems as though many students here are getting degrees in business or law. We want to encourage people to pursue science," he said.

James E. Talmage, the association's namesake, taught geology and chemistry and served as president of the University of Utah. He was a member of the Quorum of the Twelve Apostles, and the author of LDS works entitled "Jesus the Christ" and "The Articles of Faith." He was also elected a fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh.

The society now has approximately 150 members in Canada and the United States outside of BYU, Shirts said.

New BYU Course

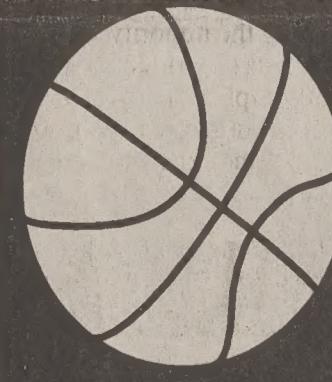
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Y student's science fiction art wins award



By SHARISA STAPLES
Universe Staff Writer

A BYU design student's illustrations have been published in a science fiction book as one of the world-wide winners of the ninth annual L. Ron Hubbard Writers and Illustrators of the Future contests.

The work of Brian Lee Durfee, an illustration major from Monroe, was printed in the "Writers of the Future" publication. Durfee is the first BYU student to win this contest that awards writing and artistic talent in the field of speculative fiction. The contest is an effort to help discover new writers and illustrators, said editor Dave Wolverton.

Durfee said he was flown to Hollywood to receive his award along with winners from all parts of the world including Croatia, the Ukraine, Australia, Canada and the United States. He said he met many important people in the publishing field.

Durfee's work accompanies a fictional piece titled "The Monitor," which he describes as a science-fiction story about a mysterious box office. His winning pen-and-ink illustrations depict a scene from the story.

"The stories trigger images in my mind," he said. "I draw from a scene that is interesting and does not give away the ending of the story."

Durfee had two illustrations published in "Writers of the Future." WordPerfect magazine also published a painting of his in its November issue.

"Brian is a very talented guy," said James C. Christensen, an art professor at BYU. "Most people are not willing to pay the price like Brian to get good."

Christensen added that Durfee is a unique student because he works hard and has the desire to produce good work. Durfee said he admires the work of Christensen, whose art works are sold through a publishing company at such stores as "Frameworks" in University Mall. Durfee said he is also a fan of Michael Whelan, whose art works include several book covers for authors such as Isaac Asimov.

Durfee said when he was young he thought art was for "nerds" until he picked up a copy of "The Art of the Brothers Hildebrandt" and forever became hooked on fantasy fiction and art. Durfee will graduate in April and plans on being a freelance illustrator.

WINNER: Design student Brian Lee Durfee, winner of the L. Ron Hubbard Writers and Illustrators of the Future Contest, rests against some of his science-fiction illustrations.

Kelly Canfield/Daily Universe

BYU design student wins recognition

By IRENE CHEN
Associate Copy Chief

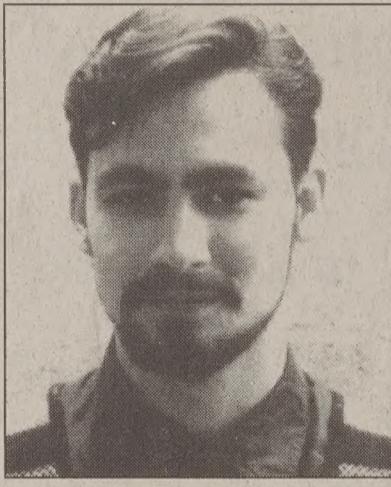
A semester's first assignment became more than a grade for design student Daniel Johnson, whose illustration was published in "Step-By-Step Graphics," a prestigious national design magazine.

Johnson was one of 14 design students enrolled in a senior illustration class invited to create art work to accompany a column discussing ways to prosper at work and in life. The magazine extended the invitation to BYU's design seniors based on student's recognition and past accomplishments, said Robert Barrett, instructor and chair of the Design Department.

Barrett assigned the project the first day of class last semester with sketches to be faxed to the magazine the next week.

"It was a pretty quick job," Johnson said. His depiction of a lighthearted businessman wearing a straw hat and sunglasses was selected based on faxed sketches, and was later finished in full color. The illustration was featured in October in the most recent issue of "Step-By-Step Graphics."

By the end of the semester, all of the



DANIEL JOHNSON

students completed their illustrations in full color and received feedback from the magazine's art director.

Johnson, a senior from Murray who works as a computer illustrator at a software company, believes the experience will be a platform for finding work after graduation. He plans to submit more work to "Step-By-Step Graphics." He said that most illustrators find work by freelancing, and therefore must promote themselves

through portfolios. "It's nice to have something printed while you're still in college," he said. "(The project) gave me experience in the business."

For art directors, this experience "communicates immediately a level of professionalism," Barrett said. "Once an illustration is printed, it's assumed (the designer) can work within parameters and deadlines to meet criteria."

The 14-year-old department was honored in November with an invitation to join the Society of Illustrators, a membership which provides recognition, credibility and educational privileges, including lectures and facilities in New York, among other things, Barrett said. Formal invitations for membership are based on faculty resumes and achievements and program success, he said.

The program has had favorable representation in the Society of Illustrators annual publication, including an illustration of Johnson's in the last edition.

His illustration of a modern rock band was among 125 chosen last spring from about 7,000 slides submitted by college students at 100 schools throughout the nation.

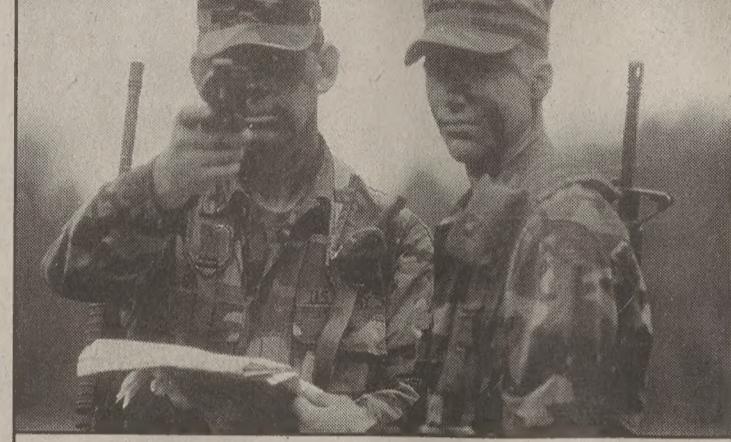


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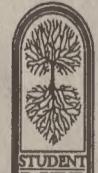
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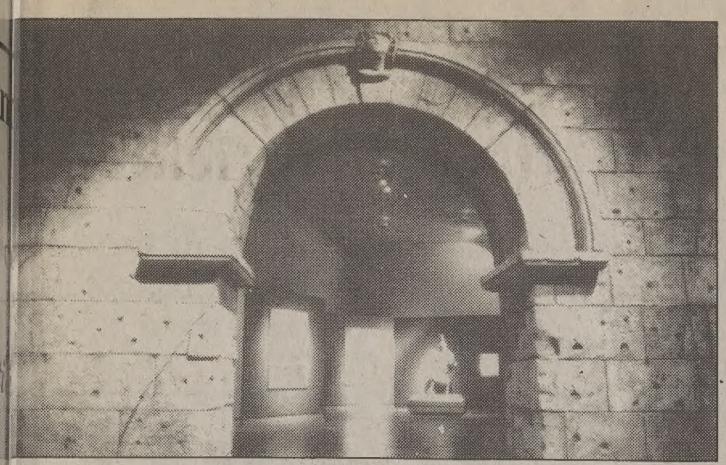
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STRUCTURES: The Museum of Art's featured exhibit will be complemented by a three-part lectures series that lasts through the end of January.

museum lectures spotlight Etruscans

BYU Universe Services

A vanished civilization short-lived by history will get a portion of the credit it deserves when BYU presents a series of free lectures in January at BYU's new Museum of Art.

The legacy of the lost civilization as the Etruscans will unfold in separate, one-hour lectures, sponsored by the Museum of Art and the Division of Continuing Education, supports the American exhibit that will be in the museum through April 30.

While the lectures are free, tickets are required because of limited seating. Tickets are available at the Museum of Art Information Desk or Conferences and Workshops, Harold Bloom Building.

John F. Hall, chair of the Humanities Department, Classics Comparative Literature at BYU, will describe the Etruscan society Jan. 13 at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. in the Study Gallery at the museum. Afterlife in Etruscan art and architecture will be described by Johnson, an associate professor of art history, on Jan. 20, also at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m.

The final lecture, scheduled for Jan. 27 at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., will focus on Etruscan sculpture and

other topics featured in the Museum Study Gallery. The speaker will be Marti Lu Allen, assistant director of the BYU Museum of Peoples and Cultures.

BYU is exhibiting the fourth and last showing of "The Etruscans: Legacy of a Lost Civilization" before the exhibit of 178 ancient artifacts returns to the Vatican Museums in Italy.

According to museum director James A. Mason, one central purpose of museum is to inspire people of the present time to value their heritage. The Etruscan show demonstrates how a culture that once flourished and exerted significant influence on Roman culture, also ultimately influenced American civilization as well.

The exhibit offers a glimpse of a culture that thrived for hundreds of years before disappearing under Roman rule. Exhibit visitors travel back in time 2,500 years and discover the land and culture of a vanished people who gave us the banquet, the toga, the keystone arch, water conduits and "Roman" numerals, among other things.

Tickets to the exhibit are available at the Museum of Art or the Marriott Center Ticket Office or by calling 1-800-322-BYU1.

At-a-Glance

Glance is for meeting notices for organizations and groups that are not officially recognized clubs. Submissions from officially recognized clubs appear in the Clubnotes column Tuesdays. Submissions for At-a-Glance must be received by 1 p.m. the day before and must be resubmitted each week.

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Persons needed - Come help high school students in all subjects. Come to the annual meeting Jan. 19 at 11 a.m. in the Varsity Theater or at 7 p.m.



K. THOMAS KALLUNKI

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Student Life office appoints new officials

BYU Universe Services

BYU Dean of Student Life Maren M. Mouritsen has announced two new appointments.

J. Thomas Kallunki is a new assistant dean of the College of Student Life, while Jimmy Benally will assume the post of director of Multicultural Services in the Student Leadership Development.

A former assistant to the Dean of Student Life, Kallunki replaces Ryan Thomas, who is now vice president of Student Services at Utah Valley State College. Benally takes over from Darlene Oliver, who was named assistant to the director for administration and multicultural services.

Kallunki's first assignment at BYU was chair of the Military

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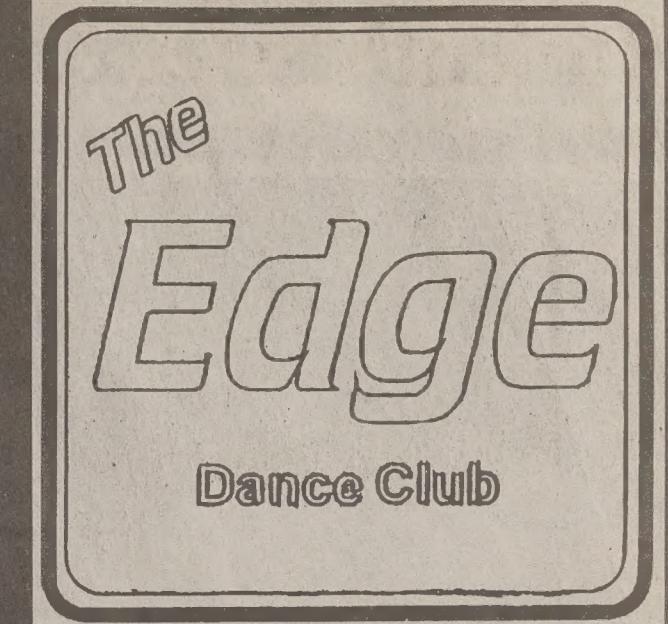
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FATHER AND SON: Howard Samualsohn and Nicholas Mordock, from left, play the roles of a father and a son in "Conversations With My Father," a play running through Jan. 22 at the Pioneer Theatre Company.

January offers great entertainment

By ZOE CABANISS
University Staff Writer

Lovers of the arts will have no shortage of activities to choose from during the post-holiday period on the Wasatch Front.

A.R. Gurney's "Love Letters" will be presented by Park City Performances Friday and Saturday. Each performance will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Egyptian Theatre and proceeds from ticket sales will go to Park City Performances and the Save Our Stage Foundation, created to renovate the Egyptian Theatre. Donations to both non-profit organizations are tax-deductible.

Tickets to Friday's performance are \$50 per person. Saturday's performance costs \$35 per person. Tickets to both are available at the performances box office.

The male and female leads in "Love Letters" will be played by real-life husband and wife Robert and Heather Urich and the performance will be directed by L.A.-based David Steinberg. Both the Uricks and Steinberg will be in attendance at a champagne and dessert reception to be held after the Friday performance.

Also on Friday and Saturday, the Utah Symphony will present a program of Russian music at 8 p.m. in

Abraavanel Hall in Salt Lake City. The program will feature works by Tchaikovsky, Mussorgsky and Borodin and will include appearances by bass-baritone Richard Zeller and the Utah Symphony Chorus.

Tickets to each performance are \$11 and \$32 and can be purchased at the Utah Symphony Box Office. Limited student tickets are also available at the box office.

Pioneer Theatre Company is one of the first regional theaters in the country to premiere Herb Gardner's "Conversations With My Father," running through Jan. 22.

"Conversations With My Father" involves a young man's relationship with his father and spans 40 years in the life of their family. The play will be directed by Pioneer's resident dramaturg, Tom Markus. He also directed Gardner's "I'm Not Rappaport" for the company several years ago.

Charles Morey, Pioneer's artistic director, said, "'Conversations With My Father' is a funny, intelligent and very moving play....[I] knew it would be a part of our season as soon as it was available."

Tickets and further information can be obtained from Pioneer's box office in Salt Lake City. The company issued the caution that the play contains strong language.

Pioneer Theatre Company's

Memorial Theatre is also the site of "Conversations," a mixed-media abstract landscapes exhibit by John W. Wood, through Jan. 22. The exhibit is free and open to the public. It can be viewed during intermissions of "Conversations With My Father."

Also in Salt Lake City, "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum," a musical comedy about a Roman family's slave and his scheme to become free, is being performed in Salt Lake Community College's Grand Theatre through Jan. 29. Information on the play can be obtained from the Grand Theatre.

Pat Davis, managing director of the Grand Theatre, said the play is "sheer nonsense from the moment that the curtain rises." He recommends that younger children not attend the production. Time Magazine once described the play as "a good, clean, dirty show! Brings back belly laughs."

Another area theater production is "The Foreigner," being performed at Orem's Hale Center Theater through Feb. 14. It is the story of a shy man who pretends he does not speak English and the things he experiences.

The show plays on Mondays, Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Information can be obtained from the theater.

Winter offers artistic events

By MEGAN CHIPMAN
University Staff Writer

Last semester may not have given you the opportunity to become a more cultured, more educated and more artistic person than before, but remember, winter semester offers a second chance.

Paul Duerden, concert manager, said there will be over 250 performances at the Harris Fine Arts Center this semester. Those will include drama, music and dance performances by students, faculty and guests artists.

The BYU Performing Arts Series includes performances by professionals who the university has paid to come, Duerden said. This series includes The King's Singers on Jan. 25, the Binkley-Woodbury Guitar Duo on Feb. 17, the Utah Symphony Orchestra on Feb. 23 and March 31, the Lar Lubovitch Dance Company on Feb. 26, Lex De Azevedo on March 18 and Lawrence Vincent on March 26. Student prices for these performances range from \$5 to \$15, Duerden said, but those are all lower because of student status.

Other ticketed performances by top performing student groups from the music, dance and drama department are offered throughout the semester. Free concerts given by student groups are also scheduled. Information about these performances is available by calling 378-HFAC.

The theatre schedule for winter semester includes "The Hired Man," by Melvyn Bragg and Howard Goodall Jan. 27 through Feb. 12. "The Merry Wives of Windsor," by Shakespeare will be running Feb. 10 through Feb. 26. "The Wakefield Passion Play," March 10 through March 26 and "Of Mice and Men," by John Steinbeck March 24 through April 1. Ticket and time information on these performances is available at 378-3875. Student tickets for these performances are \$5.

If you don't have the time to attend a whole performance, art exhibits offer a quick cultural experience at your convenience. According to an exhibit schedule, the Larsen Gallery and Gallery 303 HFAC will hold several different art exhibits next semester.

The faculty art show will be in the Larsen Gallery from Jan. 11 through Feb. 1. Professor Hadlock from the art department and Professor Myer from the art department will be showcased during the exhibit.

Master's of Fine Arts students will display final projects in both galleries

Feb. 22 through March 18. Other art students will be showcased April 7 through April 29.

All of the art exhibits held at the Harris Fine Arts Center are free and offer students an excellent opportunity to look at different mediums, styles and forms in art. The exhibits focusing on BYU students and faculty are

exciting because they represent university as a whole.

The Museum of Art on campus will be continuing with their pre-exhibit "The Etruscans: Legacy of a Lost Civilization" through April 10. Students can see this exhibit Monday through Saturday 9 a.m. to 10 p.m.

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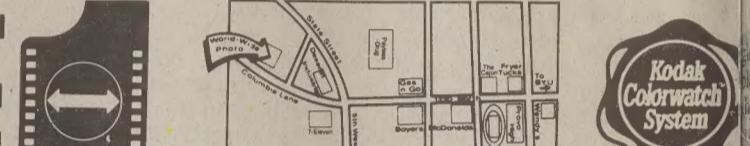
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Park City organization helps disabled

KRISTEN AMANDA MATLAND
University Staff Writer

Lessons in Park City for the disabled not only builds talent, but also esteem and confidence.

"I can do this, I can do anything," is the motto for the Park City Handicapped Sports Association (PCHSA), which was founded seven years ago. The PCHSA Board of Directors has determined that the organization must be more global in its approach to the needs of persons with disabilities and has renamed this organization the National Ability Center at Park City, according to a press release from the National Ability Center.

The National Ability Center, based in Park City, is dedicated to the development of lifetime skills for persons with disabilities and their families by offering affordable, quality sports and recreational experiences.

"I love to ski, but even more I love working with disabled people. It is inspiring. I think the experience is so valuable for them."

"It gives them a kind of freedom that I haven't known anywhere else. It gives an opportunity to manipulate gravity," said Brooks Schaefermeyer, a ski instructor for Adaptive Ski Sports.

Adaptive Ski Sports teaches all types of disabilities; mental, physical, emotional, injuries and they also work with blindnesses, Schaefermeyer said.

A student will be individually selected according to his/her needs. Special-trained professional ski instructors and individuals aging from 18 to 65 are invited to participate.



Photo Courtesy of Park City Ski Area

LEARNING TO SKI: Park City is the location where the Park City Handicapped Sports Association (PCHSA) was formed seven years ago. The PCHSA has renamed its organization to the National Ability Center, which is dedicated to help teach special skills to the disabled.

Kim Frankam, the Program Director at Adaptive Ski Sports said, the instructors are either volunteer or professionals. In order to become a ski instructor for disabled people one

needs to be a confident skier and have a knowledge of physical and mental disabilities.

All instructors have to go through an Adaptive Instructor Training Clinic

where they qualify by being able to ski like the disabled do, Schaefermeyer said. This involves skiing with adaptive equipment.

Performing arts fills January up

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p.m. in the Madsen Recital Hall. Admission is free.

Jan. 19-As part of an on-going series of recitals, a "Harpsichord Inaugural" will be presented by Michelle Lee, Andrus Madsen and William Atkinson, students of BYU faculty member Doug Bush. The recital will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Madsen Recital Hall. Admission is free.

Jan. 20-Oboist Geralyn Giovannetti will perform as part of the BYU Faculty Artists series at 7:30 p.m. in the Madsen Recital Hall. Admission is free.

Jan. 25-A group of six Englishmen performed last year at BYU to a standing-room-only crowd, and they will be performing again this year at 7:30 p.m. in the de Jong Concert Hall. Another performance will be on Jan. 26. The King's Singers are hailed as one of the world's most sought-after and highly acclaimed musical ensembles. For tickets call 378-4322.

Jan. 27-Based on Melvyn Bragg's stirring novel of his grandfather's odyssey from the farms to the mines of Britain early in the 20th century, this musical promises to be a favorite for the entire family. "The Hired Man" directed by Charles Whitman begins at 7:30 p.m. and will run Tuesdays through Saturdays through Feb. 12. A matinee will be performed

Feb. 7 at 4 p.m. For tickets call 378-7447.

BYU music faculty will perform a "Faculty Jazz Quintet" at 7:30 p.m. in the Madsen Recital Hall. Admission is free.

Jan. 28-Doug Bush will present the fifth program of the complete series of J.S. Bach. The recital will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Provo Central Stake Center located at 500 N. 1200 West. Admission is free.

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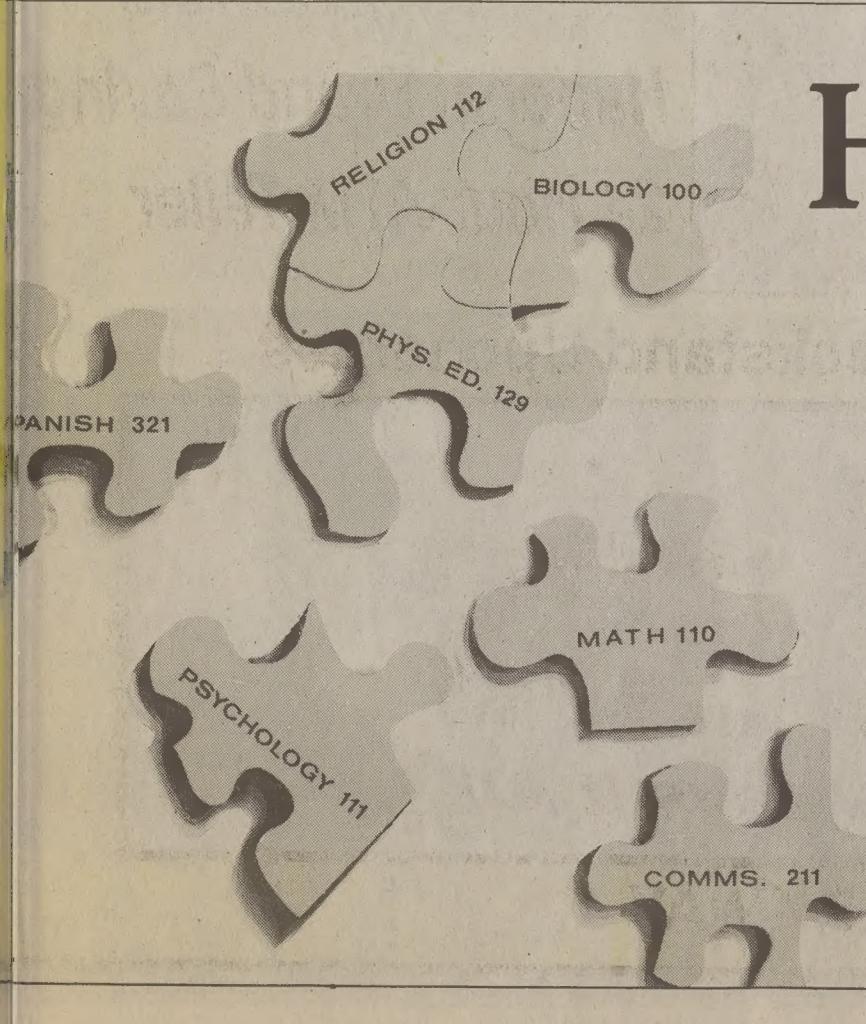
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Compact disc clubs can benefit or rip off

By JOSHUA LUKE
University Staff Writer

Editor's note: This is the first portion of a two-part series discussing compact disc clubs.

College students are always looking for a bargain. Many of these students join record clubs to expand their personal compact disc collection for a smaller price than they would find in the store.

Columbia House Records and BMG Music Service are two clubs which offer compact discs through the mail.

Although Columbia House Records has a larger record pool than BMG does, many of the younger aged Americans are turning towards BMG Music Service because it only requires one compact disc purchase instead of six. Also, members of BMG can be in and out of the club in a matter of months if they desire.

As many people are familiar with, Columbia House Records is the largest of these record companies. However, BMG Music Service has gained much popularity in the last five years and is growing rapidly.

"Eight for one" is the famous Columbia House Records phrase meaning they will send new members eight compact discs in exchange for one penny (Not to forget shipping and handling charges).

However, Columbia House requires their members to purchase six more selections in three years after they join the club. At \$15.98 per disc, plus shipping and handling, the eight free compact discs received after initially joining the club may not seem to be as good of a deal as it originally seemed.

If the overall numbers are added up, \$95.88 worth of discs, plus \$26.88 for shipping and handling and one penny to join the club, the club member gets 14 compact discs for \$122.77. That is an average of \$8.77 per unit.

Current prices for compact discs in record stores average about \$16 each, so the club member is getting about half off of the retail price. Columbia House proves to be an economical way of building a music collection if the club member does not mind waiting.

ing a little longer to get albums through the mail rather than in a record store.

BMG Music Service offers eight compact discs for the price of one. BMG, however, gives its new members four for free to begin with. BMG only requires their members to purchase one more disc at regular club price over the next year, and after they do they will receive three more for free. That is eight for the price of one, plus shipping and handling.

What is the catch? There is none.

Club members can receive eight compact discs from BMG for a total of \$31.82. That is less than \$4 a piece (\$3.97). In addition, if a member refers a friend to join BMG, they can even get three more for free.

Compared to Columbia House, BMG seems like a much better deal if the member is simply interested in the minimum club requirement. Neither of these clubs could make a substantial profit if every club member simply purchased the minimum requirement, especially with all of the fraudulent accounts that never receive a cent.

In fact, BMG could not survive if every member simply bought one record and then dropped out of the club. The profit is made on those who purchase multiple discs at regular club price.

Jerry McKinsey, an executive for BMG Music Service in Indianapolis, Indiana, said there is no set wholesale rate that the club acquires discs at, each unit is bought in mass quantities and the price depends on the label and artist. "The minimum amount of each unit we buy at one time is 25,000," he said.

BMG manufactures some of the compact discs themselves to cut down on production costs. McKinsey would not give an estimate on what the average price per unit might be.

Jane Osman, Vice President of Consumer and Government Affairs for Columbia House Records in New York, N.Y., was reluctant to discuss any unit cost that Columbia House has.

"We have a company policy that does not allow us to disclose that kind of information, but it is a lot more than people think," she said.

'Melrose Place' boosts Fox network

By LISA GROVER
University Staff Writer

Just over a year ago, television and cable experts predicted the demise of a little-known and little-viewed television serial that was the spin-off of a moderately successful show known simply as "90210." Less than 10 months after TV Guide and critics from just about every consumer magazine on the market predicted it would fail, "Melrose Place" is taking Wednesday night prime time.

The show, which answers the question, "Is there life after college?" is based on the lives, loves and careers of eight twenty-something single people, who all happen to be neighbors in the fictional Melrose Place apartment complex. The strongest audience for the show, not surprisingly, lies in the 18-34 year old age group, putting most BYU students in the thick of things.

Viewership of "Melrose Place" in Utah is on the rise, up 60 percent in the last year, and abundant numbers of students watch the show, but most are reluctant to discuss their Wednesday night viewing habits.

One female student commented, "I don't really want people to know I'm watching, even though I hardly ever miss it. It's kind of a dumb show, so I don't want people to think I'm stupid or something."

Even more reluctant to be identified were the male watchers of the television show.

"One night some girls in my ward were watching the show, and I let on that I knew what was happening. I've never been so embarrassed, but they were cool about it. Now we get together and watch it every week. It's sort of like a secret club."

Again, this student declined to identify either himself or the girls he secretly spends his Wednesday nights with.

So, what is the secret of Melrose's success?

Students liked the show for various reasons ranging from, "It's always good for a laugh," to "I can really relate to what happens in the show, and it's cheaper than therapy." Other viewers liked to see how characters

dressed, or said it was a good excuse to get together with friends to watch the show.

Another reason for the rise in viewership, along with a rise in the viewership of several other Fox shows, may be the Fox philosophy of offering alternative programs, rather than competing programs.

In the fall season, Fox went head-to-head with Network biggies like "Roseanne" and "Full-House" offering shows like "Roc" and "Martin" which appealed to completely different demographic groups. Another unlikely contender for viewers is "Star Trek: The Next Generation," which tied the highly publicized "Late Show" which features superstar David Letterman, in the fall ratings period.

"Fox Prime (time) is coming into its own with the emergence of Friday night and the Wednesday and Thursday anchor nights as well," said Steven D. Carlson, vice president and general manager for the Salt Lake Fox affiliate, KSTU.

shows in the fall lineup were Friday night shows, "The Adventures of Brisco County Junior," the story of a Harvard Law graduate-turned-tycoon, and "X-Files," stories of criminal cases involving paranormal phenomena and the FBI agents investigate them.

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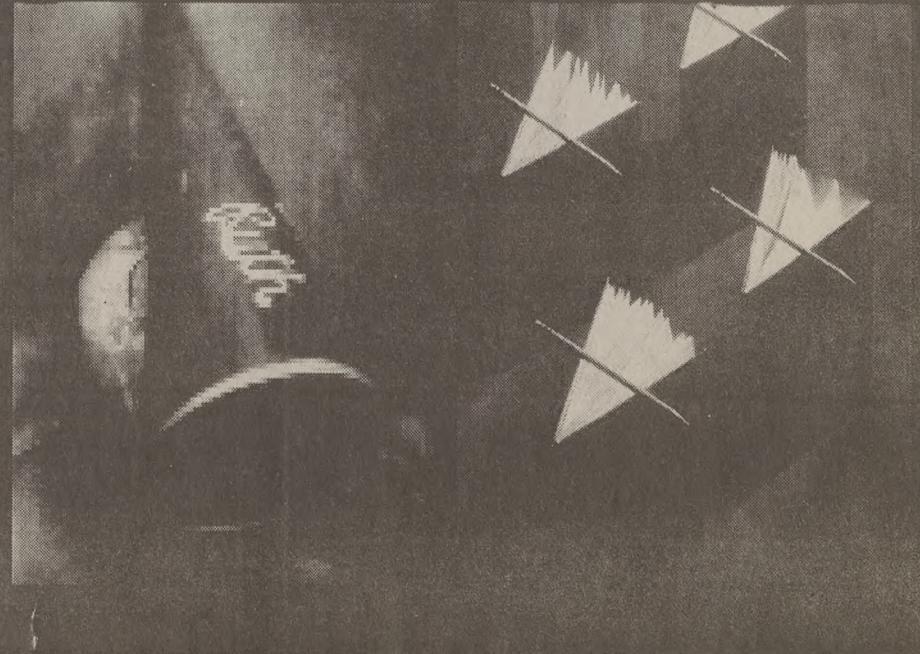
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By RANA LEHR
University Staff Writer

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"We hope that this will increase our customers' satisfaction with HBO because HBO is making more viewing options available," Hawks said.

"We are hoping that this will pay for our investment by retaining our current HBO subscribers by giving them more value for the money," Hawks continued. "We found that most viewers watch HBO during prime-time," she said. "A customer who has HBO, HBO2 and HBO increases his ability to see all of the films offered during prime-time by

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| 28 Liberty | Memphis, Tenn. | Louisville 18, Michigan St. 7 | 21,097 |
| 29 Copper | Tucson | Kansas St. 52, Wyoming 17 | 49,075 |
| 30 Freedom | Anaheim | USC 28, Utah 21 | 37,203 |
| 30 Holiday | San Diego | Ohio St. 28, BYU 21 | 52,108 |
| 31 Independence | Shreveport, La. | Virginia Tech 45, Indiana 20 | 33,819 |
| 31 Peach | Atlanta | Clemson 14, Kentucky 13 | 63,416 |
| 31 Gator | Jacksonville, Fla. | Alabama 24, N. Carolina 10 | 67,205 |
| 31 Alamo | San Antonio, TX | Cal 37, Iowa 3 | 45,716 |
| Hall of Fame | Tampa, Fla. | Michigan 42, N.C. State 7 | 52,649 |
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An investigation revealed that the nine players received payment from a booster for work they did not perform.

Texas A&M coach R.C. Slocum dismissed two of the players — wide receiver Percy Singleton and linemen Darius Smith.

The others were declared ineligible for portions of last season for accepting payment from Dallas businessman Warren Gilbert. Singleton later said he also received rent money from Gilbert.

The other players were linebacker Jessie Cox, flanker Brian Mitchell, cornerback Billy Mitchell and offensive tackle James Brooks.

Cox was suspended for the season, Hill got a five-game suspension, Brian Mitchell four games, Billy Mitchell three games and Brooks two games.

The NCAA said the players received a total of \$27,800. Of that, \$17,855 was unearned, the report said.

Besides the probation and ban on bowl and television, the NCAA also ordered A&M to disassociate itself from Gilbert for at least five years and improve the educational program for alumni who represent the school's athletic interests.

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By VALERIE BIRD
University Sports Writer

BYU women's volleyball team concluded its most successful season in WAC volleyball history Thursday Dec. 16, 1993, in a hard-fought four-game loss to Penn State.

The loss in the semi-final round of the 1993 NCAA Tournament in Wisconsin dashed the Cougars hopes of winning a volleyball national championship.

BYU became the first WAC volleyball team to make it to the NCAA final four.

Furthermore, they also reached a WAC all-time high ranking of fourth in the final American Volleyball Coaches Association Tachikara Coaches Top 25 Poll.

The women's volleyball team is the only Cougar team to make it to any NCAA Final Four of any kind.

"We played well enough to win, but the breaks didn't go our way," said Coach Elaine Michaelis. "We out hit Penn State by 20 kills (90-70) and 32 percentage points (.229-.197), and we out dug them by 26 digs (98-72)."

However, Penn State won the blocking battle 17-13 and tallied 11

service aces to five for the Cougars.

The Lady Lions played tougher when they had to, said Michaelis. Plus, the crowd was rooting for Penn State because it is in the Big Ten.

"We were a bit tentative and not aggressive enough in match/game point situations," Michaelis said. "The team played a bit too conservatively because it was afraid of losing."

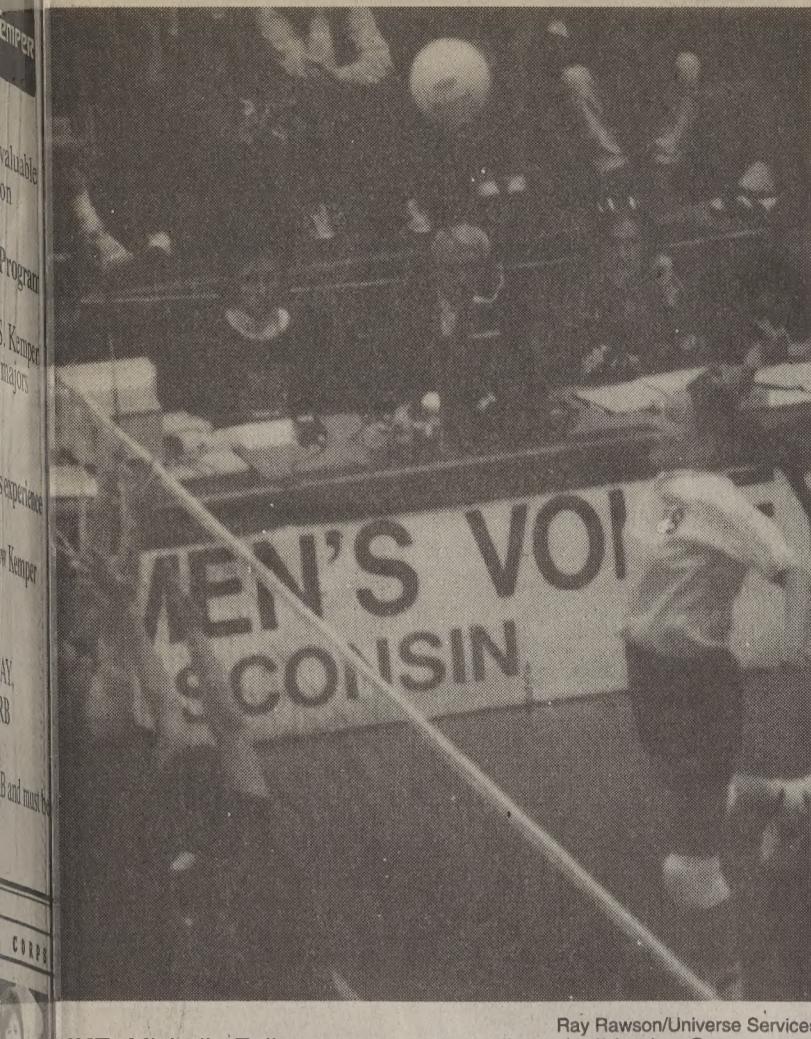
Reaching the NCAA Final Four was something the team worked for and dreamed about and the win over UCLA was a major breakthrough for us, Michaelis said.

The players were pleased and excited about making it to the final four, she said.

Charlene Johnson was named to the championship all-tournament team as a result of notching 75 assists and hitting .533.

Michele Fellows was selected to the Asics/Volleyball Monthly All-America First Team and Johnson was named to the Third Team. Both were also named to the AVCA All-America First Team.

BYU volleyball is also ranked 12th in the nation in home attendance averages with an average of 1,446.



Ray Rawson/University Services
SPIKE: Michelle Fellows attempts to spike a ball in the Cougars' NCAA Final Four loss to Penn State last month in Wisconsin.

NFL rookies of the year named: Bettis, Stubblefield get honors

Three alums top three offensive vote-getters

Associated Press

SEATTLE, Calif. — It was obvious Jerome Bettis, a muscular 5-11, 243-pounder, could run over people.

Fullback out of Notre Dame said he also could run around

switched to tailback by the Los Angeles Rams, Bettis ended his year running away from two of his former Irish backfield mates in voting for The Associated Press offensive Rookie of the Year.

Joins a select list of rookie running backs with Jim Brown, who won the award its first year, in 1957, and Gale Sayers (1965), Franco Harris (1972), Tony Dett (1977), Earl Campbell (1980), Eric Dickerson (1983), Barry Sanders (1989) and Emmitt Smith (1991).

Bettis' 1,429 yards this season also were the sixth most by a rookie in history, and just 57 yards shy of Dallas Cowboys' Smith, who won the rushing title.

He, the 10th player taken in the draft last spring, received 72 votes in a panel of 81 national media members, far ahead of quarterback Jim Mire (of Seattle, the second pick in the draft). Mire had eight votes, the other vote going to running back Reggie Brooks of Washington, a one-round pick. All three were in the NFL for Notre Dame in 1992.

"It's great that guys I played with in college are having success in the NFL," Bettis said.

Rookie pass rusher leads 49ers in tackles

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Dana Stubblefield filled a gaping hole in the San Francisco defense so well he was voted The Associated Press 1993 Defensive Rookie of the Year.

Stubblefield, a tackle from Kansas, impressed a panel of 81 national media members with his versatility. Considered a strong run-stuffer in college, he showed excellent pass-rushing skills as well. The 6-foot-2, 300-pound Stubblefield led the 49ers with 101/2 sacks and had 64 tackles.

When San Francisco lost tackle Pierce Holt and end-linebacker Tim Harris to free agency, it left them perilously thin up front. The 49ers drafted Stubblefield with the 26th overall pick and took Todd Kelly of Tennessee with the next selection to help plug that gap.

They expected Kelly to be the main sack threat. Instead, Stubblefield was a terror in the middle of the line and Kelly struggled.

"A lot of people, when I was coming out of college, didn't think I would make it," Stubblefield said. "They said I was too small, my arms weren't long enough, that I wasn't a prototype nose tackle for the 49ers' defensive scheme. Everybody doubted me."

"Then, when I came into camp, all you were hearing were negative comments about the defense, that it was too young and that it was the weak part of the 49ers' team."

"So, it's been a big challenge for me this year to overcome all those obstacles and hurdles and things, to just make everyone eat those words."

FOOTBALL

FRESNO, Calif. — Trent Dilfer, who threw an NCAA-record 271 passes without an interception, will give up his senior season at Fresno State and enter the NFL draft.

Observers expect Dilfer to go early in the first round because he led major college passers with a 173.1 efficiency rating, third-best ever in major college football, and has size at 6-foot-5 and 230 pounds.

Dilfer completed 65 percent of passes for 3,276 yards in the regular season and was honored as top offensive player in the WAC and Aloha Bowl.

BASKETBALL

NEW YORK — San Antonio's Dennis Rodman was fined \$10,000 by the NBA for actions following his ejection from the Spurs' game with the Lakers Sunday. The incident took place with 8:49 remaining in the fourth quarter of the Spurs' win. The ejection carries an additional \$250 fine.

NEW YORK — Shaquille O'Neal of Orlando averaged 27.9 points and 14 rebounds to earn NBA player of the month honors. O'Neal led the Magic to a 10-7 record, the best start in their brief history.

NEW YORK — Chris Webber of the Golden State Warriors averaged 16.1 points a game and was selected NBA rookie of the month. Webber also averaged 8.4 rebounds and 4.5 assists with the team's first triple-double in two years.

HOCKEY

MONTREAL — Montreal Canadiens defenseman Jean-Jacques Daigneault was suspended indefinitely by the NHL for an elbow that shattered the nose of Calgary Flames forward German Titov.

Daigneault will attend a hearing with league vice-president Brian Burke in Phoenix — where the Canadiens play a neutral site game against Quebec.

BASEBALL

SAN DIEGO — Tony Gwynn and the San Diego Padres agreed on an \$8.5 million, two-year contract extension, covering the 1996 and 1997 seasons with an option for 1998.

Gwynn already is signed for the next two seasons at \$4 million per. The deal reportedly guarantees Gwynn at least \$4 million each of the two seasons. Gwynn, 33, has been with the Padres over 11 seasons. He hit .358 last season, has a .329 career average, and has won four NL batting championships.

TENNIS

PERTH, Australia — Unheralded duo Bernd Karpf and Anke Huber helped give defending champion Germany a surprising quarterfinal victory over the United States at the Hopman Cup.

Huber downed Mary Joe Fernandez 6-2, 7-6 (7-4) and Karpf stunned Ivan Lendl, making his U.S. team debut, 6-3, 6-1.

Petr Korda overwhelmed Jakob Hlasek 6-0, 6-2 in singles then teamed with Jana Novotna to beat Hlasek and Manuela Maleeva-Fragniere 6-4, 6-4 in mixed doubles as top-seeded Czech Republic took a 2-1 quarterfinal victory over Switzerland.

Maleeva-Fragniere earlier gave seventh-seeded Switzerland, 1992 champion, the lead when she beat Novotna 6-4, 7-5 in singles.

ADELAIDE, Australia — Top-seeded Thomas Muster of Austria beat Bryan Shelton 6-2, 6-2 in the first round of the \$313,750 Australian hardcourt championships.

Defending champion Nicklas Kulti of Sweden ousted second-seeded Marc Rosset of Switzerland, 7-6 (7-4), 6-3, while Richard Fromberg of Australia spoiled Sweden's Mats Wilander's comeback, 6-3, 4-6, 6-2.

David Rikl of Czech Republic upset fifth-seeded Amos Mansdorf of Israel 6-4, 6-4, and Sweden's Jan Apell defeated sixth-seeded Andrei Chesnokov of Russia 6-2, 7-5.

Russian Alexander Volkov, No. 4, beat France's Rodolphe Gilbert 6-4, 6-2, and last year's finalist Christian Bergstrom of Sweden took a 6-1, 6-4 victory over Italy's Andrea Gaudenzi.

BRISBANE, Australia — Top-seeded Magdalena Maleeva of Bulgaria scored a 6-4, 6-3 victory over Audra Keller, and second-seeded Lindsay Davenport easily defeated Lea Ghirardi of France, 6-0, 6-3 in the second round of the Australian Women's Hardcourt championships.

Australian Rachel McQuillan upset fifth-seeded Julie Halard of France 6-3, 6-2, while No. 4 Sabine Hack of Germany beat Italian Silvia Farina 6-3, 6-2.

In first-round matches, 15th-seeded Russian Elena Likhovtseva was beaten 6-4, 6-2 by Sandrine Testud of France, and No. 11 Florencia Labat of Argentina stopped Paraguay's Rosana de los Rios 6-2, 6-1.

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New Salt Lake Tribune service offers glimpse of future

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computerized information launched by The Salt Lake Tribune Monday offers a glimpse of some journalism industry foreseen as the communication of the future.

Tribune On-line allows with a modem capable to communicate at 1200 baud or more to new information service.

According to a Jan. 3 Tribune article on-line, some of the features of the service include:

Ability to get weather forecasts from international, national and local news stories.

Full-length stories that may have been reduced in length because of constraints on the newspaper.

Ability to look up information on Tribune stories.

"The world is changing, and we are along with it," said John Jordan, editor of the Tribune's On-line.

Formerly an education writer for the Tribune, said that as he visited

Utah schools and saw the current teaching methods, he was convinced that today's students would be living in a completely different technological world than he grew up in — one that he said likely will include newspapers that can provide information on demand.

"I look at today's newspapers as the horse of the future," Jordan said. "Today people still ride horses, but it's more of a hobby than a primary means of transportation. Similarly, in the future people will still read newspapers but their primary method of getting information will probably be in a computerized format."

Not all industry experts are convinced that this type of On-line service will ever replace the current form of newspapers, though.

"This type of service may be too specific (to be successful)," said John Hughes, former editor of the Christian Science Monitor and a current professor at BYU. "Very often the reader does not have an idea of what he or she wants" before picking up a newspaper.

"I see the art of journalism as pack-

aging stories in a way that encourages people to read something that they may have otherwise skipped over," he said.

BYU journalism professor Alf Pratte agrees with Hughes' assessment.

"Talking about this technology being the wave of the future, as someone who comes from Hawaii and is familiar with surfing, this is just a little wave."

Pratte points to Knight-Ridder news agency as an example of why On-line services are overrated. He said that Knight-Ridder invested millions of dollars in a similar project in the mid-1980s and then ended up pulling the plug entirely on the project.

Greg Stone, business analyst for Knight-Ridder's Information Design Lab in Boulder, Colo., confirmed Pratte's observation.

"Knight-Ridder set up their On-line service in south Florida, and the cash outlay is roughly close to what (Pratte) indicated. Basically there was a lack of market demand for the product," he said.

He said that Knight-Ridder and

other national news agencies have seen a new direction for the future, though. Technologies like the Apple Newton and the AT&T Eo, if refined and tailored right, are likely candidates for a new information medium, Stone said.

"There are certain features that must be included in such a device for it to be successful," he said.

These features include: portability and vertically-structured computer monitor that would allow for the same type of design elements found in newspapers today.

The Tribune's Jordan said they realize that their On-line service might not be the communications medium of the future. But this is a way of providing information in a format that complements their 140,000 print offerings each day, he said.

The service is free of charge until the bugs are worked out of the system, which Jordan said will roughly be three months. Each day in the Local section of the Tribune a new password appears above the weather box with the modem hook-up phone number.

Jordan said their biggest mistake so far has been underestimating the popularity of On-line, and they are working on getting more phone lines so more people can have access to the service.

"I get about 100 nasty messages each day from people who can't get through the busy signals and get on-line," Jordan said. After the Tribune starts charging a subscription fee for the service, Jordan said they would

continually monitor the volume of calls and increase phone lines as needed.

The Salt Lake Tribune's service is one of the first of its kind in the western United States. The San Jose Mercury News and a paper operating out of Albuquerque, N.M. are two others in the west who currently have working computerized services similar to the Tribune's.

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in Utah not only provides attractive surroundings, multiple recreation opportunities and a growing economy, it also ranks as the least active in the nation for lawsuits per capita, according to a survey in the Jan. 17 issue of Forbes magazine.

In contrast, the District of Columbia, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, New Mexico and Colorado are some of the most active states in the nation.

According to an Associated Press report, lawyers become involved in 61 percent of auto accidents in the capital, and the average malpractice premium for an orthopedic surgeon is over \$25,000.

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Forbes ranked the states by including factors such as the percentage of auto accidents that lawyers involve themselves in, average cost for a year's worth of malpractice insurance and the number of members of a state's trial lawyers association per 100,000

Bomb buried decades ago kills brothers in Vietnam

Associated Press

her arm and leg. Another 7-year-old girl also was injured.

The boys were buried on a small hill in the center of the potato field, a few yards from where the bomb exploded Dec. 19.

Leaders of this village near Hanoi's international airport say American warplanes dropped the pellet bombs in 1967 and bombed again in 1970.

"I was 7 years old then. I remember most of the bombs hit two fields. One was where the boys found the bomb," Mrs. Don said. "I remember many people died that day."

Seven people have been killed by leftover bombs in the area since 1973, said Nguyen Tai, a local government leader.

After the latest tragedy, many villagers are afraid to go to the potato field, but do so because they must earn a living, he said.

U.S. military officials do not investigate such cases, so they had no information on the bomb that killed the two brothers. But a spokesman, Air Force Maj. Roger Overturf, said pellet bombs were dropped by U.S. planes during attacks against North Vietnam.

"There was certainly no intention to harm children," said Overturf.

Ironically, the war's legacy also could endanger the U.S. teams currently in Vietnam digging up plane crash sites to try to account for Americans missing from the war that ended in 1975.

Don heard the blast while

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